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To Our Farmers

My Dear Farmer Friends:—

To-day we are facing a crisis and the nation must arouse herself for a mighty struggle for liberty. If we have armies we must have food and if these armies have no food then there will be no fighting. We have been warned by our Government to prepare for this present emergency and when prices were low we made great progress but now we must call it **SAFE FARMING** and put forth every effort to produce more and better products than ever before.

Thousands of men have been taken from the farms for military service and this has cut the food production short, so we who are left must work more and help conserve the food supply. The food problem must be worked out by those who do not go to the field of battle. These men who have left the field of producers have become consumers.

Farmer must grow the same staple crops they have always grown but with more efficiency and give to it more attention and cultivate every vacant lot and give tenants all the land they can cultivate to assist in this great struggle of defense. People who live in towns should make their vacant lots and gardens produce as many vegetables as possible.

At the present time, the high cost of living, the high cost of seeds, &c., has a tendency to hold the farmer back, but how few of us produce enough vegetables, fruit,—canned or dried—for winter use, or enough feed for our stock. The farmer should make a mighty struggle to produce feed and food for his own consumption and then have a surplus to meet the emergency that may arise.

With the high prices we should place ourselves into organization for it appears that co-operation is the key-note of the present economical development and thru organization we can help to meet the problems that come before us. Every business, no matter its kind, is under organization except the farmers and today the leading men over this land of ours are pleading with the farmers to get together, buy together, sell together and work with one another. We need and must have better and more farming, better roads, better schools and churches, better social and home conditions, and thru organized effort this can be done.

Very truly yours,

H. H. HARRISON,
County Agri. Agent.
Stanton, Ky.

New Pipe Line Station at Bowen

The Cumberland Pipe Line Company is installing a new pumping station at Filson to transport the oil from the various producing leases in this county.

This means that the large production here is regarded sufficient to justify the Company to go to this expense, and the development goes steadily on. The Powell field has, consequently, a very bright future before it.

OUR POLICY.



The editor is away from the office about half the time of late, being out on the farm trying to put in the largest crop in the best possible way in which it can be tilled so as to produce the most for the labor expended. We want to be patriotic by producing all possible with our own hands, and we do hope that the government will see that the products of our farms get to the consumer with but "one small profit" in the future for the middleman instead of four or five large profits as in the past. The government owes this duty to the farmers and consumers as much as the farmers owe it to the government to raise enough for us all to eat.

We are demonstrating our policy by precept. We say "come on boys" not "go on" as is the case with about nine-tenths of the agitators. We propose to produce all possible to eat and at the same time to fight for a living price for our production, and but a living price for the other fellow who handles and dispenses our products.

Just From the South

F. B. Russell, who has large slave mills in Alabama, Mississippi and Arkansas, has just returned from the South. He has closed down all his mills for the crop season, urging all of his hands to cultivate some form of crop. He says the people of the South, who have heretofore been raising three or four acres of cotton to one of food stuffs, have reversed this order and this time are planting three or four acres of food stuff to one of cotton.

He left Tuesday for the oil field at Furnace, where he has a fine production with much more territory to develop.

If You Eat, Work!

Gov. Stanley says: "The call to arms in the Old World is not more imperative than the call to labor in this, and he who takes his place in the furrow is rendering a service as essential as that of his brother abroad in the trenches. No acre of arable land should lie fallow and no man capable of tilling it should be found idle. The time is here when all must either go to work or go to war, and they who refuse to do either deserve the condemnation of patriots."

Delegate to the State Camp

Dr. Wm. C. Martin left Monday for Dawson Springs, Ky., to attend the regular triennial meeting of the State Camp of Modern Woodmen of America, which began there yesterday. He represents Powell county in the 6th District of Ky. Returning, he will stop over at Louisville and attend the meeting of Railway Surgeons, of whom he is one.

County Agent Lectures

County Agricultural Agent, H. H. Harrison, was in Clay City Friday and gave a lecture to the school children in the afternoon and to the Commercial Club in the evening. His talks at both places were very pointed and well received. Mr. Harrison "is in a position to do much good, and it is our opinion that he will do so with the proper co-operation of the farmers of the county."

Mrs. Lyle Dies in Missouri

Mrs. Louise Lyle, 79 years old, wife of M. V. Lyle, died last week in Kansas City, Mo., after a lingering illness of two years.

Mrs. Lyle moved to Kansas City from this county thirty-seven years ago and has all this time lived there. She is survived by her husband and five sons and four daughters. At her burial, the active pall bearers were all Kentuckians well known to our readers, as follows—Joe Vaughn, Walter Shimfessel, Hamilton Lyle, Dr. C. G. Hall, Wm. Hall and O. J. Fredricks.

Mrs. Lyle was a daughter of Matt Stewart, and a sister to Mrs. John W. Vaughn, now of Phoenix, Arizona.

Invests in Blue-Grass Land

John Ashley, of Powell county, who has made a fortune out of discovery of oil on his farm, was in Winchester Tuesday. While here he bought the old Jack Lisle farm of 374 acres, on the Paris pike, from Clay Owen and Dick Souley for \$75,000,—\$200 per acre.

Judge Stevenson and F. H. Haggard sold to John Ashley 90 acres, across the road from the 374-acre tract, formerly owned by Ernest Bean, for \$18,000.—Winchester Courier, Apr 27th.

Curtis-Blevins.

Last Monday afternoon, at 2:30 o'clock, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Curtis, Miss Vada, their attractive daughter, was given in marriage to Mr. En Blevins, of Irvine.

Only a few of their intimate friends were present, the ceremony being performed by Squire Charles Welch in his genial and impressive manner.

The happy young couple left the following day on the 7 a.m. train for Irvine, where the groom holds a good position in the oil field. They will reside at Irvine.

It Sure Would!

Wouldn't it be a good plan to round up the loafers and make them enlist before drafting into service men who are at work? There are hundreds of idle men who could be forced into something. Then, again, if they should be winged in battle, it would not be so hard as to give up a man worth while.—Danville Messenger.

Dr. J. Wilson Dead

Dr. Jerry Wilson died at Morehead last week, aged 64 years. Dr. Wilson is the father of Mrs. E. B. McGlone, and married a Miss Berry, of this county. He taught school in this county about 45 years ago, and is remembered by a number of the older citizens and some of the younger ones, then children, who went to school to him.

Fails to Pass Examination

Arler Crabtree went to Lexington last week to enlist in the army or navy, but failed to pass the rigid examination, so returned to recuperate up and enter into a system of self development in hopes of being able to pass the examination later.

STANTON.

(By P. O. Derthick.)

H. T. Derickson has bought a fine new buggy.

Orie Snowden is in Irvine this week on business.

Wm. Hardwick has bought a fine milk cow of Dr. Knox.

Fred Blackburn is having his house covered with new roof.

Larkin Stamper was sick this past week, but is able to be about his business again.

Mrs. Jesse Crowe, who has been quite sick for several days, is better at this writing.

Frank Hatton and Joe Neal went to Lexington where both were accepted for the army.

Everett Hall, who has been in Middletown for several months, has arrived in Stanton for a stay.

Mrs. Lydia Daniel and Mrs. Kelly Fuls were in Clay City this past week on a shopping trip.

Mrs. George Stephens of near Mt. Sterling, was visiting friends and relatives here this past week.

Mr. Howard, a young man from Breathitt, was here last week in the interest of oil leases.

Robert Baker, who is working on the W. & I. Division, was a visitor with his family over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Miller and son, of Furnace, visited over Sunday with their cousin, Miss Margaret Lyle.

Mrs. Anna Bean and baby, of Winchester are visiting her sister, Miss Fred Blackburn this week.

Mrs. Congleton and her grand daughter of Orandon, Wisconsin, are here visiting their many relatives and friends.

Miss Lillie Knox, who has been teaching in St. Helens this past year, was calling on friends in town this past week.

Fred Blackburn left Monday for Louisville where he attended a banquet to the members of the State Fair Committee.

Goodloe Spurlock arrived Monday evening from Greenville, Miss. for a visit with his wife, who was Miss Nora West.

Henry Daniel has the fine jack at his barn that took the premium at the Clark County Fair last year. It is sixteen hands high.

Mrs. M. L. Lyle, who has been quite sick for several days, is able to sit up again and we trust that she will soon be well again.

Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Cowgill returned Friday to their home in Lexington after a visit with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hardwick.

We are informed that A. T. Stewart is wearing a smile on his face, as he sold an oil lease for \$500 profit last week. Good for A. T.!

Mrs. Lilly Barnes of Salt Lick, who was a former student in Stanton College, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Baker, over Sunday.

Mr. Harmon has moved his

Buys Farms in Clark

John M. Ashley, of Powell co., who bought the Lisle and Bean farms on the Paris pike in Clark county for \$93,000, will take possession Jan. 1st, 1918, and will move here with his family.

The famous Ashley tract, which he owns in Powell, has been leased to Pat J. White, of Oklahoma, on a royalty basis, and when the capacity of the pipe line is sufficiently increased to take care of the production, Mr. Ashley's income will reach \$10,000 monthly. At the present time it is several thousand dollars.—Lexington Herald.

A Patriotic Liquor Man

Col. E. H. Taylor, the noted Frankfort distiller, has closed down his distillery and will not operate the same this season that the grain necessary to make whiskey may be used to feed the people while engaged in war. Thus we see one form of destructive work superceded by another. If every distillery in the land could be closed and these forces used to prosecute the war and help to produce food stuff, the war will have accomplished one great blessing to this land.

But are all of them as loyal as Col. Taylor?

To Banquet Railroad Officials

The Winchester Development Association will entertain L. & N. Railroad officials at an early day—possibly May 11th. It has come to us by a leading member of the Association that a petition from our people asking the officials, at that time, for a change in the schedule of trains in the afternoon, passing through Clay City, would be a matter heartily supported by the Association, as it realizes the inconvenience to our people in having to use the present late evening trains in coming home.

family into the Dr. Lemming property, next to Fred Blackburn. Mr. Harmon has his work out in the oil fields.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Atkinson were in Lexington this past week on a business trip. Mrs. Atkinson and daughter, Nancy, also shopped there over Sunday.

Mrs. Richard Crowe has arrived from Knoxville, Tenn. and she and her husband are house-keeping again. Richard is clerking in Hardwick & Co. store.

Miss Alice Childs was in Winchester Friday having an ulcerated tooth looked after. The tooth had been filled but was giving her much trouble and suffering.

School at the Stanton Graded School is out. Miss Mila Knox, who was one of the teachers, has joined the Red Cross call for nurses and is waiting a call from Uncle Sam for duty.

Ruth Maples of Irvine was here this past week visiting his sister, Mrs. Butler Barnes. He says he is making all kinds of money in Irvine, and that business is booming there.

Harry Melroy, wife and baby,

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